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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Sioux Falls National Guard unit to deploy to Kuwait

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. – The South Dakota Army National Guard's 196th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade has received an alert order for possible mobilization to Kuwait in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Thirty-nine Soldiers from the Sioux Falls-based unit are scheduled for deployment in the February 2016 timeframe. While in Kuwait, the Soldiers will conduct force protection and security operations.

The unit will report to Fort Bliss, Texas, to complete several weeks of theater-specific training prior to deployment overseas. This will be the second mobilization for the 196th, which deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in 2010-2011.

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